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Head Qu'rs Wheeler's Cavalry Corps,

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I. The following Schools of Instruction will be established and maintained at all times, except when upon the march.

1st. The Captains and Lieutenants of each Regiment will be organized into a School, and will recite daily to the Regimental commander, or some other field officer. These officers will also be formed daily and thoroughly drilled by the Instructor in the School of the Trooper, Platoon, Squadron, and in the use of the sabre. The theoretical instruction will consist of the School of the Trooper, Platoon, Squadron, Evolution of the Regiment, and so much of the Army Regulations as relates to guard duty and manœuvring of troops.

2nd. The non-commissioned officers of each company, together with two or more of the most intelligent privates will be organized into a school, and will recite daily to the company commander or some other commissioned officer. This school will also be formed daily and thoroughly drilled by the Instructor in the school of the Trooper, Platoon, and in the use of the sabre.

The theoretical instruction will be the same as instruction to officers, omitting evolutions of the Regiment.

III. Field officers will recite at least three times each month, to the Division or Brigade commander in Cavalry Tactics, including evolutions of the Regiment and evolutions of the line.

IV. Division and Brigade commanders will superintend these schools, and will use every exertion to facilitate and urge forward work so necessary to the proper discipline and efficiency of this arm of the service.

V. The Board of Officers convened in each Division, to relieve the army of incompetent officers, will commence vigorous action, and all officers found to be in any way incompetent to perform all the duties of their positions will be immediately relieved from duty.

VI. In drilling, officers will exact the entire attention of the men, never allowing them to talk in ranks, or become listless while being instructed.

They will take great care that each evolution is performed with the utmost accuracy and precision.

VII. Officers of this Corps will be required to wear sabres at all times when on duty.

By Order of

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